Commission), Department, Government of Tamil Nadu; and

(b) whether Government will expedite measures for sanctioning the required *additional trained staff for removal of* stagnation in A.G.'s Office in processing these cases of pension?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI ANIL SHASTRI): (a) and (b) As a result of the Order referred to in part (a) of the question, pensions being paid by the Government of Tamil Nadu need revision. Keeping in view the extra workload arising on this account 3 posts of Accounts Officers and 12 posts of Section Officers have been additionally sanctioned in the office of the Accountant General (Accounts & Entitlement), Tamil Nadu. A new section has been formed for pension verification and 3 special cells created to dispose of the cases. Pension cases are also being processed by payment of honorarium at prescribed rates, which have recently been enhanced.

As a result of the above measures, out of 12,622 pension revision cases received between 1st October, 1989 and 15th April, 1990, 8,768 cases have already been disposed of and the disposal of the remaining ones is being closely monitored.

Scheduled Caste / Scheduled Tribe Judges in High Courts and the Supreme Court

1715. SHRI ANAND PRAKASH GAUTAM: Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribes Judges of High Courts in the Country at present, alongwith the total number of High Court Judges, State-wise;

(b) whether Government propose to give adequate representation to Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribe people in the appointment of High Court Judges and also in the Supreme Court; and

(c) what steps are proposed to be taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINES WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI DINESH GOSWAMI): (a) The requisite information is given in the enclosed statement. (*See* below)

(b) and (c) The Government have addressed letters to the Chief Ministers of States and the Chief Justices of High Courts, requesting them to locate persons from the far belonging to the Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes, other Backward Classes and women, who are suitable for appointment as High Court Judges so as to provide them representation of the bench.

Statement

As on 24-5-1990

Sl No.	High Court	No. of Judges in position	No. of Judges belonging to	
			S.C.	S.T
1.	Allahabad	43	1	
2.	Andhra Pradesh	22		
3.	Bombay	46	4	
4.	Calcutta	40		
5.	Delhi	20		
6.	Gauhati	12		2
7.	Gujarat	12		
8.	*Himachal Pradesh*	4		

Statement

As on 24-5-1990

Sl. No.	High Court	No. of Judges in position	No. of Judges belonging to	
			S.C.	S.T.
9.	Jammu & Kashmir	5		
10.	Karnataka	28	1	2
11.	Kerala	23	1	
12.	Madhya Pradesh	22		
13.	Madras	23	1	
14.	Orissa	12		
15.	Patna	25		
16.	Punjab & Haryana	18		
17.	Rajasthan	18		
18.	Sikkim	2		
	Total:	376	9	4

Strike by Bank Employees

1716. SHRIMATI KAMLA SINHA:
SHRI SURESH KALMADI:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that recently the employees of nationalised banks went on a day's strike;

(b) if so, what were their demands;

(c) whether any action has been taken on their demands; and

(d) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI ANIL SHASTRI): (a) to (d) A section of bank employees reportedly struck work on 25.4.1990 and 15.5.1990 in support of their demands, which include review of the recently concluded Vth Bipartite Settlement, introduction of pension, increase in the quantum of housing loan, formation of a tripartite committee to finalise policy on computerisation etc. No action is called for on the demands of the union as the banks' managements have signed the settlement only recently i.e. on 10.4.1989 with unions representing the majority of the employees.

Framing of Policy in respect of Penicillin G / V

1717. SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 1671 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 9th March, 1989 and state:

(a) when was the policy of Penicillin G / V first framed by Government;

(b) whether it is a fact that Penicillin V has never been produced indigenously;

(c) what are the names of the companies to whom import licences were recommended for Penicillin V from the date of first policy announced;

(d) what was the quantity and value for which Penicillin V was recommended to each party and what are the details of conditions applied on each import licence;

(e) what was the indigenous price of Penicillin G when the import of Penicillin V was allowed to each party;

(f) whether his Ministry made subsequent changes in the policy;

(g) if so, when and what were the changes made each time;

(h) what is the present policy;